

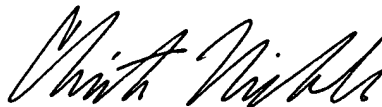
AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please add the following to end of paragraph [0001]:

[0001] The present application is related to U.S. Patent Application No. 09/608,831, “Establishing A Shared Secret Key Over A Broadcast Channel” by Srinath Gundavelli and David McNamee, which was filed on June 30, 2000.

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